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(ORDER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC ON 22 AUGUST 1968,
PRAGUE--READ BY ANNOUNCER)

(TEXT) THE UNITS OF THE PEOPLE'S ARMY OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR ORDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS, HAVE BEEN FULFILLING THEIR TASKS. THE COMMANDERS HAVE UNDERSTOOD THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE SITUATION AND BY THEIR CALM, CIRCUMSPECTION, AND FIRMNESS HAVE INSURED THAT NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED WHICH WOULD LEAD TO BLOODSHED.

THE COMMAND OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE'S ARMY IS CONSTANTLY IN TOUCH WITH ME, AND ALL MAJOR INSTRUCTIONS ARE ISSUED IN AGREEMENT WITH ME. THE COMMAND OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE'S ARMY IS IN CONTACT WITH THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMMAND OF THE UNITED ARMIES AND DOES EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO PREVENT CONFLICTS WHICH COULD DISTURB CALM AND ORDER. (WORDS INDISTINCT) IN THE CONDITIONS OF THIS COMPLICATED POLITICAL SITUATION.

I AM CONVINCED THAT THE COMMANDERS, POLITICAL ORGANS, AND PARTY ORGANIZATIONS AT ALL LEVELS WILL CORRECTLY UNDERSTAND THIS ORDER AND INSURE ITS IMPLEMENTATION (WORDS INDISTINCT). I RELY ON THE POLITICAL MATURITY AND RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE ARMY. (WORDS INDISTINCT) THE MEMBERS OF THE ARMY WILL NOT ALLOW THEMSELVES TO BE INDUCED TO RASH DEEDS WHICH COULD SERIOUSLY THREATEN THE (WORDS INDISTINCT) OF OUR PEOPLE AND WILL CONTINUE TO OBEY WITH RESPONSIBILITY AND COURAGE THE ORDERS ISSUED BY ME.

(SIGNED) THE PRESIDENT OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC, ARMY GENERAL, HERO OF THE SOVIET UNION, SVORODA.

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